

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Kotter et al.

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sirs:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated 12/15/2006 with respect to the above-identified application, the applicants hereby request further examination and reconsideration of the instant application in view of the following amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: